

**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

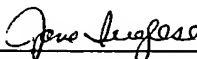
The specification has been amended to add a new first paragraph in which a claim for priority has been made. The specification has also been amended to incorporate sequence identification numbers where appropriate. The paragraph bridging pages 2 and 3 of the specification has also been amended to correct inadvertent typographical errors. No new matter has been added.

Claims 1 to 70 have been cancelled herein and replaced with new claims 71 to 75. Support for new claims 71 to 75 is found throughout the specification. No new matter has been added.

The paper copy of the Sequence Listing and Computer Readable Form for the above-identified application are identical to the amended Sequence Listing and Computer Readable Form filed in parent Application Number 09/564,559, filed May 4, 2000 and received by the Patent Office on May 10, 2000. The amended Sequence Listing and Computer Readable Form were filed in the parent application (09/564,559) on February 28, 2002 and were received by the Patent Office on March 5, 2002.

Applicants respectfully submit that the claims are in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and an early notice of allowance are earnestly solicited.

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